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SUBJECT: CANDIDACY OF MARY ELIZA KIMBALL FOR UNHCR

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REF: GENEVA 4122

1. IN RESPONSE TO REFTTEL, DEPT. PROPOSED KIMBALL AS
CANDIDATE WHO MET ALL REQUIREMENTS. IN EARLY OCTOBER,
VOLFING (EXTERNAL AFFAIRS OFFICER, UNHCR) WROTE HER
PERSONAL LETTER TRANSMITTING A JOB SHEET FOR A P-2 LEVEL
POST AND ASKING IF SHE INTERESTED. ALL SUBSEQUENT
COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN THEM, MOSTLY BY PHONE, IDENTIFIED
JOB AT P-2 LEVEL AS LATE AS DEC. 13TH. NOW VOLPING SAYS
HER APPOINTMENT WILL BE AT P-1 LEVEL AND IMPLIED TO HER
THAT AFTER THREE MONTHS OR WHEN E.O. 10422 CLEARANCE
RECEIVED FROM US, HE WILL CONSIDER HER FOR P-2, PERHAPS ON
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A RETROACTIVE BASIS.

2. ON NOV. 1, 1976, MS. KIMBALL ACCEPTED TEMPORARY TWO-
MONTH APPOINTMENT WITH UNNY OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND
TECHNOLOGY WITH UNNY'S FULL KNOWLEDGE OF HER POSSIBLE
APPOINTMENT TO UNHCR. SHE HAS NOW ADVISED VOLPING (BY

PHONE) THAT SHE WILL ACCEPT P-1 LEVEL UNHCR APPOINTMENT BUT FEELS THAT PERHAPS UNHCR IS NOT HONORING COMMITMENT AND QUESTIONS WHY. IS SHE BEING PENALIZED FOR ACCEPTING UNNY

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT AT P-1 LEVEL AND ANY P-2 OFFER AT UNHCR INTERPRETED AS PROMOTION? IF SO, SUCH AN ACTION WOULD BE UNFAIR.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF MISSION COULD DETERMINE BASIS FOR UNHCR DECIDING ON P-1 VICE P-2 LEVEL AND ADVISE DEPT. MISSION MAY ALSO NOTIFY UNHCR THAT DEPT. IS EXPEDITING HER CLEARANCE AND THAT KIMBALL PLANS TO MEET JANUARY 17, 1977 REPORTING DATE REQUESTED BY UNHCR.
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